

REMARKS

Claims 2-11 and 13-26 are now in this application. The Applicants respectfully request the entering of this amendment, the reconsideration of the present application and the allowance of claims 2-11 and 13-26.

Claims 11, 20, 23 and 26 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. The Applicants respectfully continue to traverse this rejection for the reasons set forth in the previous amendment, but respectfully submit that this rejection is now moot in view of the amendments to the claims as set forth above.

Claims 1, 8-12, 19, 20, and 21-23 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(b) as being clearly anticipated by Gaddis et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,457,681). The Applicants respectfully continue to traverse this rejection for the reasons set forth in the previous amendment, but respectfully submit that this rejection is now moot in view of the cancellation of claims 1 and 12, and amendments to the claims as set forth above.


The Applicants respectfully request that the amendments to the claims as set forth above be entered in this application. These amendments are minor amendments to the claims, canceling some claims without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter contained therein, changing some claim dependencies, and making the claims more definite. Therefore, the Applicants respectfully request that these amendments be entered in this application and all pending claims be allowed.

In view of the foregoing, the application is considered to be in condition for allowance.
Early notification of the same is earnestly solicited. If there are any questions regarding the
present application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone
number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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